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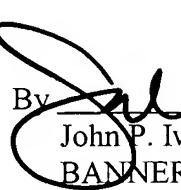
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Under 35 USC §120, this application relies on the earlier filing dates of application serial number 09/716,507, filed on November 20, 2000, now U.S. Patent No. 6,706,875; application serial number 09/244,568, filed on February 4, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,307,042; and application serial number 08/634,053, filed on April 17, 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 5,959,098.

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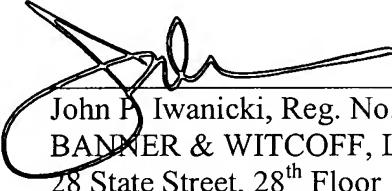
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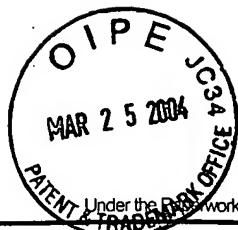
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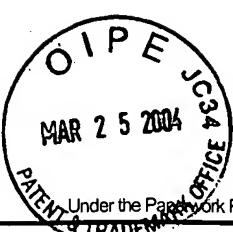
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